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SUBJ: US-EGYPTIAN JWG ON MEDICAL COOPERATION

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1. FROM ALL INDICATIONS NEW MOH FUAD MOHIE EL DIN, ALTHOUGH AN ENGINEER BY PROFESSION, IS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT UPCOMING JWG MEETING. HE APPROVED DECREE NAMING EXTENSIVE EGYPTIAN DELEGATION (CAIRO 8269). AS ALREADY REPORTED, WE VIEW SIZE AND NATURE OF DELEGATION AS REFLECTING MOH HOPES TO BEGIN MEDICAL COOPERATION WITH USG ON BROADEST POSSIBLE SCALE.

2. AMBASSADOR TALKED TODAY WITH MAZEN RE VARIOUS POINTS MENTIONED REFTEL AND, AT MAZEN'S REQUEST, REPEATED THESE IN A LETTER TO HIM. HE WANTED IT TO BRING THESE POINTS TO THE MINISTER'S ATTENTION. SO FAR AS ECFMG IS CONCERNED, HE AGREES THAT EGYPT DID NOT WISH AN EXODUS OF ITS DOCTORS FOR AT LEAST "FIVE YEARS." AT SAME TIME, HE WAS ATTRACTED TO IDEA OF GIVING THE EXAM HERE AGAIN AND UNDERTOOK TO CONSULT WITH THE MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION (NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EDUCATION) ABOUT THE SUBJECT. HE THOUGHT IT MIGHT

BE DISCUSSED DURING UPCOMING MEETING.

3. MAZEN NOTED THAT MEMBERS OF MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION ARE ALREADY ON EGYPT DEL, BUT AGREEED ALSO TO ARRANGE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS REPRESENTATIONS.

4. RE SCHEDULE (CAIRO 8271), MAZEN INDICATED SLIGHT CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE TO TAKE USDELS MEMBERS TO SUEZ ON NOV 1, WHENCE THEY WILL BE TAKEN TO ALEXANDRIA SAME EVE. INITIALLY PROPOSED TWO-DAY ALEXANDRIA VISIT WILL BE COMPRESSED INTO ONE DAY, NOW 2. MAZEN NOTED THIS CHANGE IN RESPONSIVE TO USDEL'S INTEREST IN VISITING SUEZ CANAL AREA.

5. SINCE STATE 229964 ARRIVED OVER BAIRAM HOLIDAYS, WE WERE UNABLE CONVEY TO HIM INFOMATION CONTAINED THEREIN UNTIL TODAY. INDICATIVE OF LOCAL HOTEL DIFFICULTIES, MAZEN SAID HIS MINISTER HAD SOLICITED ASSISTANCE OF MINISTER OF TOURISM TO OBTAIN NEEDED HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS BUT LATTER HAD SUCCEDED IN GETTING ONLY SEVEN SUCH ACCOMMODATIONS DIVIDED BETWEEN SHERATON AND SHEPHEARD. AMBASSADOR REQUESTED HIM THANK THE MINISTER, BUT TOLD HIM DR. EDWARDS MADE ARRANGEMENTS THROUGH HILTON STATESIDE MANAGMENT. MAZEN WAS MUCH RELIEVED. WE HAVE RECONFIRMED THESE RESERVATIONS WITH NILE HILTON.  
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